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SUBJECT: BURMESE OFFSHORE OIL EXPLORATION - SECOND ROUND

REF: RANGOON 2577

1. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM TRADE SOURCES SUPPLEMENTS THAT TRANSMITTED REFTEL ON SECOND ROUND AND PLANS FOR FINAL NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN MOC AND OIL COMPANIES. TO LIST OF US PARTICIPANTS IN SECOND ROUND (PARA 3 REFTEL) SHOULD BE ADDED HAMILTON BROS. OIL CO. WE ARE ALSO TOLD THAT BHP (AUSTRALIA) ALSO REPRESENTING CONZINC RIO TINTO, AND THAT ROBWAY SINGAPORE ALSO ON LIST. THERE ARE ALSO INDICATIONS THAT SHELL (U.K.) IS INCLUDED. AMONG MORE IMPORTANT COMPANIES NOT ON LIST ARE CITIES SERVICE, PHILLIPS, US SHELL, AND, APPARENTLY, MOBIL.

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2. THUS THE 19 FIRMS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN FINAL ROUND APPEAR TO CONSIST OF 14 US (AMOCO, ARCO, CALTEX, CONOCO, EXXON, GULF, HAMILTON BROS., MONSANTO, NATOMAS, READING & BATES, SUN OIL, TEXAS PACIFIC, AND UNION OIL), AND 5 FOREIGN (BHP/CRT, DEMINEX/ELF/ERAP/ENI, JAPANESE CONSORTIUM, ROBRAY, AND SHELL). SOME OF FOREGOING MAY HAVE ADDITIONAL ASSOCIATES.

3. COMPANIES WERE ASKED TO RETURN NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 8 TO BEGIN FINAL NEGOTIATIONS, AND ENCOURAGED TO RETURN OR AT LEAST TO SUBMIT REVISED PROPOSALS BEFORE THAT DATE IF POSSIBLE. FOREGOING MAY BE SHARED WITH INTERESTED US FIRMS.

4. MOC OFFICIAL CONFIRMED TO REPRESENTATIVE OF ONE US FIRM THAT AMOCO, GULF, DEMINEX, AND JAPANESE CONTINUE TO RATE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION.

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